

**BOROUGH OF PENNINGTON
COUNTY OF MERCER
STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING AND HONORING CHIEF DOUGLAS PINELLI UPON HIS
RETIREMENT FROM THE PENNINGTON BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, Chief Douglas Pinelli has served the Borough of Pennington with distinction since October 13, 2004, demonstrating exceptional leadership, dedication, and commitment to public safety; and

WHEREAS, throughout his career, Chief Pinelli has shown remarkable progression through the ranks, being promoted to Sergeant on February 27, 2015, to Sergeant First Class on February 7, 2016, and ultimately appointed as Chief of Police on May 4, 2020; and

WHEREAS, Chief Pinelli has demonstrated outstanding professional development through his FBI LEEDA Command and Supervisory certification, E-Trilogy Certification, EMT Certification, and completion of the Certified Public Managers Program at Rutgers University; and

WHEREAS, his exceptional service has been recognized through numerous awards and commendations, including:

- Recognition as Police Officer of the Year by the State of New Jersey Knights of Columbus (May 16, 2014)
- Recognition for heroic action during a swift water rescue by Hopewell Fire District #1 (November 8, 2006)
- Lifesaving Award presented by Mayor Persichilli (February 28, 2013)
- Letter of appreciation from Hopewell Township Police for life-saving assistance (March 26, 2014)
- Senate & General Assembly Certification for outstanding record of service and leadership (May 11, 2024); and

WHEREAS, Chief Pinelli's leadership has significantly enhanced the professionalism, effectiveness, and community engagement of the Pennington Borough Police Department; and

WHEREAS, his dedication to public service has materially improved the safety and quality of life for all residents of Pennington Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Pennington hereby express their sincere gratitude and appreciation to Chief Douglas Pinelli for his twenty years of exemplary service to our community; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and Council extend their best wishes to Chief Pinelli for a long, healthy, and fulfilling retirement; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Chief Douglas Pinelli and permanently recorded in the minutes of the Borough of Pennington.

Dated: February 3, 2024

James Davy, Mayor